

NOT JUSTIFIABLE

Coroner's Jury Brings in Verdict to That Effect.

Full Report of Testimony Taken at the Inquest of Perry, who was Shot By J. R. Willard—Charge of Murder Lodged in Justice Court Against Willard.

Joseph Willard, who shot and killed T. D. Perry near Liberty yesterday, was brought to Salem later in the day by Sheriff Durbin and lodged in the county jail.

It seems that Mr. Stephens, the storekeeper at Liberty, was with Willard when the shooting was done, having gone with him to the place to buy some chickens. They found Perry there, he having gone out the day before and stayed there all night.

Willard had the place leased of Perry, having paid his rent until next April, but it had recently moved into town.

According to Stephens' story, when they met Perry on the place, he ordered Willard to take his rifle out of a certain lot, in which she was running, as she might get into the orchard and injure trees. Willard declined to do so, and hot words ensued. Finally Perry started toward Willard with a club in his hand, but Willard laughed at him, saying: "Oh, you can't hurt me with that." Perry then reached around to his pocket, saying: "I have something here." Willard then quickly drew his pistol, a .38-calibre five shooter, and emptied it into Perry, inflicting at least three wounds, either of which would have proved fatal.

Willard and Stephens then returned to the store at Liberty, and Willard telephoned the news of the homicide, and also requested Sheriff Durbin to come out that he might give himself up.

Sheriff Durbin and Coroner Clough

proceeded immediately to the scene, and found Perry's body in the back yard at the place, which is about one mile from the Liberty postoffice.

Perry was about 63 years of age and leaves a wife, one son and one daughter. Willard has a wife and eight children. He is a member of Salem Camp No. 118, Woodmen of the World.

The body of Perry lies at Clough's undertaking establishment in a handsome black draped casket, fully prepared for burial. The deceased is not at all disfigured and his countenance looks composed and natural.

THE INQUEST.

The coroner's jury was composed of: E. F. Parkhurst, A. W. Long, L. R. Stinson, D. A. White, L. S. Winters, T. L. Davidson.

At 10:30 Coroner Clough called his jury to order, and T. L. Davidson was chosen foreman.

The first witness called was W. W. Stephens, who resides at Liberty, Or., running the store and post office. Willard came to the store about 11 o'clock in the forenoon on his way to the place. Stephens went over that way with Hensley, and at Willard's suggestion went with him to the place to look at some chickens. They found Perry there, which seemed to greatly surprise Willard. They went to barn

and back to house. Met Perry again, who told Willard he had no right to turn that rifle into that stable. After a few words Perry started toward Willard, throwing his hand behind him and saying:

G—d—m you. I'll fix you. I've got something and I'll fix you—d—d quick."

Willard said: "Don't draw a gun on me." Perry kept advancing with his hand behind him, and when within six feet Willard drew a pistol and fired.

This was near the grindstone in the back yard. The axe lay on the ground. After the first shot was fired Perry staggered back and reached toward the axe, but fell and did not reach it.

First shot struck Perry in the left arm. Willard fired three or more shots. Witness described the scene and illustrated with District Attorney Hayden how the men stood. Willard did his shooting very quick and no shot was fired after Perry fell.

Willard went to see about his heifer and chickens. Got some salt of witness for the heifer.

After the shooting witness told Willard he had better go give himself up. They went then to the back. Willard asked witness what he would have done in such a case, and said "I am sorry."

Witness was afraid of trouble when he saw Perry on the place, as he knew Perry's disposition.

D. W. Innan, was the next witness. Resides in the city and has a farm near Liberty. Perry went out with him Monday evening, taking some camp equipment with him.

Told of being notified of the shooting about 1:30 Tuesday afternoon. Went over to the scene of the shooting with coroner and sheriff. Described the location of the buildings and the body as found. Body lay about 33 feet from the house, on its back, within a few feet of the grindstone. A basket of eggs sat on the ground about 20 to 24 feet from the body.

Questioned by Carson, witness said that Perry told him that he was going out to take possession of the place. Perry claimed that Willard had violated the terms of his lease, and that this gave him the right to possession, and he proposed to take and hold possession. Saw no weapon on Perry. Had heard of Perry drawing a knife on different persons. Helped search the body. Found pocket knife, but no other.

Mrs. Z. E. Anderson was the next witness. Resides in North Salem. Perry had told them of trouble with the tenant on his place and said tenant had threatened his life. Told them he was going out to the place "to see about it."

Jas. J. Hall, reside half a mile north of Liberty. Knew nothing only by hearsay of the trouble between Willard and Perry. Asked by Carson as to Perry's reputation in that neighborhood, witness hesitated and Carson withdrew the question, but Hayden then asked the same question and witness said he did not consider Perry a safe man. Knew he had lots of trouble with his neighbors.

Walter Whalen, the blacksmith, told of having trouble with Perry over the fixing of a wagon, when Perry had been abusive and had drawn a knife on the witness and threatened him.

Grove Hensley, residing at Liberty, was the next witness. Went to the place after the killing. Corroborated the previous witness as the position of the body. Asked by Carson, he told of trouble he had with Perry several years ago, when Perry had struck witness in the mouth during a political discussion.

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FIGHTING THE BOERS

British Forces Gain a Hard Fought Contest.

Member of Parliament Will Resign as a Protest Against the War—Russia May Assist the Boers—More Cruisers Being Sent—Another Battle at Ladysmith.

By Associated Press to the Journal.

LONDON, Oct. 25.—General White telegraphed from Rietfontein date October 24 saying that in the fighting near Ladysmith twelve British were killed and eighty-nine wounded, five were missing.

A dispatch from Cape Town this morning says there has been another battle at Ladysmith and the Boers were again repulsed.

The British casualties were four killed and 7 wounded. A special from Ladysmith dated Oct. 23, says the troops of the Eighteenth hussars, which got astray in pursuing the Boers after the battle at Glencoe, have arrived at Ladysmith, the troops having fought their way through.

LONDON, Oct. 25.—Michael Davitt, the Irish nationalist announced in the house of commons today that he would resign tomorrow as protest against the Boer war.

QUEENSTOWN, Oct. 25.—The British cruisers Furens, Petersen and Pactatus sailed this afternoon, enroute to Cape Clear, where they will meet the eight battleships and two cruisers of the channel squadron. The fleet will proceed ostensibly to Gibraltar, but it is thought that the possible destination is a Spanish or Portuguese port.

LONDON, Oct. 25.—The extent of the British preparations as revealed by today's information has caused a strong reiteration of the rumors of serious foreign complications.

It is said that Rear-Admiral Lord Charles Beresford will command the Mediterranean squadron, and details of the activity at the naval stations are coming in fast.

Whether later developments have transformed the admiralty's precautionary measures into preparations for a naval demonstration necessitated by European hostility, is the question of the hour, and it is as much of a mystery to many high naval officers as to the public.

While British officials do not conceal the knowledge of German, French and Russian antagonism and their irritation at threat, they do not give the slightest hint that European hostility will crystallize into any overt act.

But the belief that Great Britain is on the verge of a crisis or even a conflict far greater than that in the Transvaal has many supporters.

Berlin, Oct. 25.—The Tagblatt denies the statement that Germany, after promising assistance to France and Russia, for the purpose of intervening in the Transvaal seems now to withdraw it. The Tagblatt declares the German government did not participate in any combination for intervening.

TRANSPORT GRANT

"ARRIVED AT MANILA."

And Sailed for Rio de Janeiro Without Disembarking—Insurgents Have Surrounded Calamba.

By Associated Press to the Journal.

MANILA, Oct. 25.—The Twenty-sixth infantry arrived on the transport Grant, yesterday and sailed for Rio de Janeiro without disembarking. The insurgents have returned to the vicinity of Calamba. They have increased in numbers and are surrounded the town on the land sides.

What Russia May Do.

New York, Oct. 25.—A dispatch to the Tribune from London says: The sailing of the channel squadron for Gibraltar is now regarded by the keenest observers as an indication that some unexpected attack upon British interests is possible. The magnitude of the preparations for war, which are out of all proportion to the requirements of the military situation, can only be adequately explained on the theory that the government suspected that some great power would be tempted to seize the opportunity for striking a sudden blow or carrying out a deeply cherished policy.

The quarter from which an attack of

By Associated Press to the Journal.

this kind may come is unmistakable. The Russian press has had license to criticize the English policy in South Africa in the most acrid way, and a rumor that Herat may be occupied is already in the air. British commercial interests in Persia are so large that a Russian seizure of this commanding position in Afghanistan would be a serious stroke, aimed directly against free trade. That seems a more likely menace than the forcing of the Dardanelles by the Russian Black sea fleet.

HOP GROWERS MEETING.

Over 200 Growers Are in Session Today Perfecting Organization.

The Meeting Harmonious and Growers Enthusiastic at Their Success.

Special to Journal.

WOODBURN, Oct. 25.—Over two hundred hop growers from different points of the Willamette valley have congregated here today for the purpose of perfecting an association to be known as the Willamette Hop Growers Association.

The assembly is composed of determined men who have come together for their mutual benefit and to shut out all middle men, who have formed a combination to keep down the price of hop.

The committee on organization consisting of H. L. Bents, John S. Kewley, M. L. Jones, James Winstanley and W. E. Her, reported and recommended that the organization be incorporated with a capital stock of \$5,000 consisting of shares at \$250 each. No one but a bona fide hop-grower or renter is eligible to membership.

No member can take out more than \$25 per acre of the amount of acres of hops actually cultivated by said member and when a member goes out of the association he gives the first option on the stock to the association.

The object of the association is to buy and sell and store hops and to build and lease warehouses and all other business necessary.

The meeting was still in session at the hour of going to press.

A full and complete report will appear in tomorrow's JOURNAL.

Hop Notes.

Hans C. Walberg purchased of Johnson & English of Silverton, 86 bales prime hops at 9 cents; also 57 bales at 10 cents of Sather Bros. The latter lot was strictly choice, and the price paid represents the highest market value.

R. S. Armes of Woodburn, sold 75 bales at 8 cents to Faber & Nels, of Albany.

Another sale of Clackamas county hops was made Monday. Mr. Baker, of Wilsonville, sold to Henry Weinhard, of Portland, 12,000 pounds at 10 cents. The hops will be used in making beer in Portland.

Washington growers will hold their hops for a better price and an organization has been perfected with that point in view.

Wm. Brown & Co. received a consignment of hops from Wheatland last night via Panama, consisting of 23 bales.

TWO JAYHAWKERS

PROMOTED

Gens. Funston and Metcalf Honored by the President.

By Associated Press to the Journal. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 25.—A dispatch to the Journal from Washington says:

Brigadier-General Frederick Funston is to be breveted major-general and Colonel Wilder S. Metcalf, of the Twentieth Kansas, is to be breveted brigadier-general, by the president shortly, on account of gallant and meritorious services of the two Kansas soldiers in the Philippines. The promotions have been recommended by Major-General Arthur MacArthur and approved by Major-General Elwell S. Otis, commanding the eighth army corps.

CAUGHT IN THE ACT

A Plucky Tacoma Lady Arrests a Burglar and Turns Him Over to Officials.

By Associated Press to the Journal.

TACOMA, Oct. 25.—Last night, Mrs. Eva Jewell was awakened by a burglar ransacking her room. Springing out of her bed she ordered him to put up his hands and relieved him of several articles he had stolen from her. She then notified the police who arrested him.

BIGAMIST

FARENSWORTH.

By Associated Press to the Journal.

CHICAGO, Oct. 25.—Walter N. Farensworth the self-confessed bigamist, will offer the following unique defense: "The Sultan of Sulu has many wives and is under the protection of the United States government and I have many wives but the police, not the government have me in charge. This is not according to constitutional provisions, guaranteeing equality to all. I will either go free or the Sultan gives up some of his wives."

Oregon vs. California.

BERKELEY, Cal., Oct. 25.—The football game between the University of California and University of Oregon, will be played on the Berkeley campus, November 18th.

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"DOCTORED" REPORTS

British General Accused of Coloring the News to Suit.

The Boers are Not Discouraged But Expect Assistance From All Dutch Settlers in South Africa—The War Has Just Commenced and a Decisive Action May Be Fought Today or Tomorrow.

By Associated Press to the Journal.

LONDON, Oct. 25.—Field Marshal Lord Wolseley has apparently been convicted of "doctoring" official reports from the front. The commander in chief's summary yesterday spoke of General White having fought a successful action, whereas White's own account puts an entirely different complexion on the situation.

It is quite evident the war in Natal has only commenced and that the Boers are by no means discouraged at losing the first two battles, and many experts are satisfied that General Joubert is close to the heels of the British and a decisive action may be fought today or tomorrow. The main fact that the British have been forced to evacuate the Natal triangle is proving an unpalatable pill to the public. The situation in the West is being complicated. The Boer proclamation of annexation and claims of victory at Glencoe are likely to induce the Dutch to side with their countrymen already in the field.

According to a Brussels dispatch Dr. Leyde, diplomatic agent for the Transvaal in Europe has issued a statement that the Boers have now nearly 100,000 men in field.

LONDON, Oct. 25.—The following was sent by General White from Ladysmith this afternoon: "The advance guard sent out to help General Yule's column was within three miles of that column about noon. I have occupied all the strong positions on the road to Ladysmith and have no anxiety about them."

COLUMBIA RIVER

RATE WAR NOW ON

By Associated Press to the Journal.

PORTLAND, Oct. 25.—As a result of the local rate war between rail and river lines, passengers are now carried between this city and Astoria for 25 cents.

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Or a winter cough,
For a night cough,
Or a slight cough,
Or a cough which
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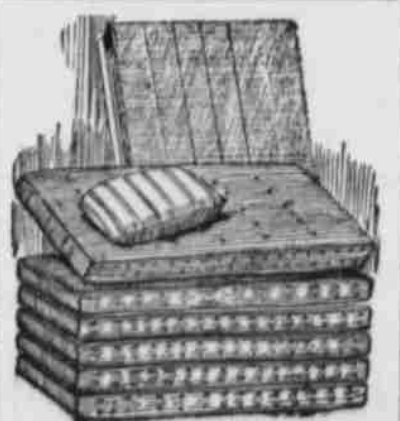
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